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In re Application of:

Bruce R. Smith et al.

Examiner: Eugene I. Kim

U.S. Serial No. 09/453,498

Group Art Unit: 3721

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For: FOOD SERVING PAPERBOARD  
CONTAINER PRESSING APPARATUS  
EMPLOYING CAST-IN ELECTRICAL  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

LETTER

Dear Examiner Kim:

Confirming our conversation of yesterday, I am faxing herewith a copy of the *Request for Continued Examination* filed on July 29, 2002 and a copy of the postcard stamped by the Patent Office indicating receipt of the *Request*. The stamped postcard was kept as a regular record of Burns, Doane et al., previous Counsel in this case.

The *Notice of Abandonment* mailed February 12, 2003 should accordingly be withdrawn since the *Request for Continued Examination* was timely filed.

This letter will also confirm that the correct correspondence address is:

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Respectfully submitted,

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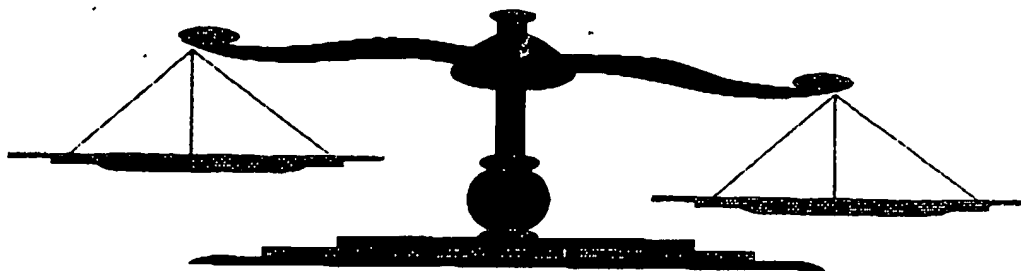
I hereby certify that this *Letter, copy of Request for Continued Examination and copy of postcard* are being facsimiled to Examiner Eugene L. Kim (Group 3721) at 703-305-3579 and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on March 14, 2003.

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